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of Ohio County.

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of Richland County.

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GEORGE S. BIGGS.

CONGRESSMAN DOVENER'S APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments will be filled by Representative B. B. Dovenor on the dates mentioned: At Martinsburg, Saturday night, October 23. At Middlebourne, Monday, October 24. At Moundsville, Tuesday, October 25. At West Union, Wednesday, October 26. At Center Point, Thursday, October 27. At P. M. At Benwood, Saturday, October 28. At 7:30 p. m. In Hancock county, Monday, October 31. At Wheeling, Saturday, November 5, at 7:30 p. m.

David B. Hill's Speech.

Ex-Senator Hill, in his Brooklyn speech, got down on the level of the demagogues when he indulged in barefaced misrepresentations of President McKinley's attitude toward the Cuban question before the war. He went away back to December of last year, five months before the war, and two months previous to the act in Havana harbor which aroused the war feeling, to refer to the President's message advocating peaceful measures to settle the Cuban question, as the first duty, and characterized it, wrongly and unjustifiably, as "cold and unsympathetic." Here Hill, after this gross misrepresentation of the President, stopped. Not one word did he utter concerning the vigorous policy pursued by the President when all peace means failed, and when force became necessary to induce the Spanish government to grant the righteous demands of the United States; nor of his ultimatum to the Spanish government, his prompt action when authorized to make war, and the splendid bearing of the President throughout the war under the burden of responsibility.

Mr. Hill went far out of his way in his efforts to prejudice his hearers at the start against the man at the helm. That was demagoguery far more despicable in its purpose, and possibly in its effects, than any of the alleged partisanship he was attempting to magnify and denounce.

Ex-Senator Hill's emergency from retirement is characterized at the very start by his old tactics. He is the same Hill who led the New York protest against the platform, and went home, not to consistently follow out his principles, as other sound money Democratic leaders did, who, with him, believed that Bryanism and the other heresies of the platform were dangerous to the financial honor of the country, and threatened disaster, but to rest quietly at home and afterward to say that he "voted for Bryan."

This is that same Hill, and now, anxious to get back in the leadership, he does not hesitate to be inconsistent at the very outset of his speech, by declaring that the issue is not war questions, but "honest government." The position he took against Bryanism and the Chicago platform, and helped to make possible McKinley's election, was the same—he was for "honest money" which nothing but an "honest government" could secure. Throughout his speech he does not show wherein the administration of President McKinley has been dishonest.

Spain as a Martyr.

The pitiful spectacle Spanish statesmen are making of themselves in pleading for charity, sympathy and mercy, for such is the construction to be placed on their utterances and their attitude with reference to certain stands taken by our peace commission, from which they cannot be moved, is enough to disgust all the countries to whom they look for good wishes, if not assistance.

A case in point is the interview with a Spaniard of note published by the Paris correspondent of the London Times. The poor fellow makes out to the Times man that the United States is actually "brutal" in its course. Think of it! A Spanish statesman charging the United States with "brutality," and all because we will not assume the four hundred million dollars debt which Spain contracted in waging war on defenseless women and children in Cuba and to keep up a campaign of slaughter and starvation for three years.

But the ridiculousness of the whining complaint of this distinguished person,

for so the correspondent describes him, is contained in his statement of what the Spanish peace commissioners should say to our commissioners, when they persist in the position that Spain must pay her own debts. It would be amusing if it were not so serious in showing the deplorable state of the Spanish mind. What they should say, says the Spanish statesman, and what they doubtless will say is: "We are in your hands; you are the victors. We for our committed the folly of going to war with you, because you left us no time to avoid it, because you treated us in such a way that, even at the risk of suicide, we were bound to plunge into war, although the result of it was evident to us. But we will not commit this fresh folly of recommending the war in any form. We are therefore at your mercy. We shall submit to your dictates, and shall leave the world to judge of those dictates, but no human force will compel us to subscribe, and we shall not subscribe."

Poor martyr Spain! What a contrast to the Spain which four months ago, and even less, was boasting of what she was going to do with the pig-eating Americans! What a difference between this truckling and the bombast and the defiance that was hurled at the Yankees! How dissimilar to the boasted victories that were successively reported in the Spanish press as having been scored over the Americans only to be denied. In what strange contrast to the display of courage and unconquerable power of a hundred days ago! "Now, we must submit to the dictates of the hated Americans, but subscribe to them—never!"

But they will subscribe to them just the same.

If He Should Come.

It is said that ex-Congressman Bland, of Missouri, the old-time Democratic greenback leader and present radical 16 to 1 free silver leader, uncompromisingly so, and who contested for the last Democratic presidential nomination with Mr. Bryan, is to speak here for Mr. Blair at an early date. We trust sincerely that Mr. Bland will not be released with but one speech. He should be given several other dates. The extreme care with which the local leaders and the local organs have evaded the resuscitation of the sixteen-to-one calamity cry, and are steering clear of the "paramount" question of two short years ago, when it was treason to mention the word gold above one's breath, has been accountable.

When Uncle Dick Bland comes along to shake up the agitation from its dormant state, if he is coming, the cat will be let out of the bag, and the public may get an insight into the wherefore of the sudden collapse of the agitation, and the whyfore that, at the moment when everything was thought to be in good shape to deceive the sound money Democratic voters into line, "Uncle Dick" should come in and spoil the whole business.

Wouldn't Look Well.

While the Register was indulging in its usual anti-election calamity cry about there being no better times, although the evidences were all around it, it was receiving the Associated Press report of a speech delivered by President McKinley to the railway employees in Chicago, whose part of the peace jubilee programme he attended. But the Register did not publish that speech, although it did mention that it was "warmly applauded." If it had published it, its readers would have read, among other good things, the following: "I thank you, my fellow citizens, for your cordial greeting and I congratulate you on the evidences of returning prosperity everywhere. (Great applause.) What you want, what we all want is business prosperity. When you have that you have something to do, when you have it not, then you are idle. There are few empties now on the side track. (Great laughter and applause.) And there are few railroad men not employed. (Applause.)" These references to the unfailing barometer of improved conditions, which was so liberally applauded by the railway employees, would not have looked well alongside the Register's frequent denial of improved conditions.

A striking episode occurred at the Presbyterian Synod, in session at Parkersburg, on the introduction of a resolution, complimenting President McKinley on his wisdom and success in closing up the war so quickly and in adding luster to the Nation's flag. It also praised the soldiers and seamen, and expressed sympathy for the bereaved parents and friends of the dead heroes. A motion made that the resolution be referred to the committee was voted down, and it was Dr. Bingham who said on the question of the resolution's adoption: "Let us vote 'yes' and honor ourselves, or 'no' and hide our heads with shame." A rousing "aye" was the response. This incident is but one of many others of a similar nature which have occurred in religious bodies of the country. All the patriotism isn't confined to the politicians. The clergy are preaching it and setting the example every day.

General Grosvenor and Congressman Danford met with a cordial and enthusiastic reception from the voters of Bridgeport, Ohio, and vicinity last night, and from the Wheeling Republicans who availed themselves of the opportunity to hear them discuss the issues of the day. It was a good night for Republicans in that community and the good effects will not be felt alone on the Ohio side of the river.

The campaign is warming up some, and the public is beginning to realize that the war diversion, which caused them to momentarily forget that a new Congress and several legislatures and governors are to be chosen in a few days, is well enough over to permit them to return to a consideration of the importance of the elections.

The farewell reception tendered last night to Professor J. McHenry Jones, on his departure for his new field of work as president of the West Virginia College of Agriculture at Farmington, was a fitting testimonial of the appreciation in which he is held by the community in general, not alone by the citizens of his own race, but by all who know him. During the years

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War between England and France is not a remote possibility. The French press is trying to avert the trouble, which means that it fully understands that hostilities would be about the worst thing that could happen at this time.

That was a rousing rally of the Republicans at Parkersburg to greet the spokesmen of the occasion, Senator Ekins and Governor Atkinson. It doesn't look like Wood county is going to turn up missing in November. Nor will she.

It turns out that the story of the ships of Admiral Dewey firing upon the insurgent vessels at Manila seems to have come from Spanish sources. If this is true the purpose of the fabrication is immediately manifest.

STATE PRESS CLEANINGS.

The lumbermen along the line of the West Virginia and Pittsburgh railroad are doing a steady yard business at present. Never was there such a rush of orders for lumber, and the railroad company is having difficulty in supplying the demand for cars. We doubt if there is another road in the state, of an equal length, over which is shipped as much lumber as goes out on the West Virginia & Pittsburgh in the course of a year.

—Braxton Central.

"Jack the Huger" is again becoming an annoyance to the ladies of the town. Thus far this week two ladies have suffered his insults besides being nearly frightened into spasms. If the proper authorities will not give us officers to protect ladies from the insults of such dastards, the people should call a meeting and appoint some one to attend to this duty. It is an outrage that our ladies cannot come on the streets at night without being molested and insulted—Buckhannon Delta.

The Wheeling Register, in its account of the joint debate between Messrs. Dayton and McGraw, at Elkton, the other night, asserts that when the debate ended, Mr. Dayton was so thoroughly defeated that he was "an object of pity and contempt." This is proof positive that he utterly routed his antagonist. We think there might have been a time, twenty-five years ago or more, when the Register could have given an honest report of an affair of that kind, but we have known it for fifteen years, and we are confident that in all that time it has not once published a report of any such occurrence that was not intentionally and grossly false and unfair. We believe it has, by long disuse, lost the power of telling the truth, as the fish of the waters in the Mammoth Cave have lost their eyes.—Mountain Echo.

"A farmer living a few miles from town up the New Creek valley, says the Keyser Mountain Echo, 'gives us the following prices to show the contrast between a Republican and a Democratic administration. Under Cleveland he sold his wool for twelve and one-half cents a pound. Under Harrison and McKinley the price has been twenty-two to twenty-five cents a pound. Under Cleveland his lambs sold for \$2.75 per hundred pounds; now they are bringing \$4.60 to \$5 per hundred. Under Cleveland beef hides were slow of sale at two cents a pound. Now they are quick at eight cents. Farmers are wise enough to vote for their own interests. A vote for the Democratic ticket is a vote to go back to the old prices. A vote for the Republican candidates is a vote to continue the present state of things with the probability of changes in your favor.'"

The Clarksville News is hearing from the press of the state concerning its heathenish reference to an unfortunate union soldier who lost a leg in the war, in a way that ought to bring every honest citizen to his feet. The News is only worthy of the execrations of all self-respecting citizens. The News has insulted every union soldier in the state, by that scoundrel statement and made a place for itself among newspaper thugs and black-legs. Probably it belonged there long ago—Parkersburg State Journal.

One encouraging and important feature about the present campaign in this congressional district is in the fact that so large a number of Democrats have signified their satisfaction with the present favorable change that the business of the country has taken under President McKinley's administration.

The outlook for the former and every body else is so much improved that the people are going to vote to go right ahead in the direction the country has again taken. For this reason hundreds of Democrats, who know when they have had enough are going to vote for Dayton and a continuation of the present better times.—Grafton Sentinel.

Our friends, Starnes & Cleaver, sent us a treat last Saturday in the way of a fine mess of raspberries, fresh from the vine. While it was cold enough to snow, we were enjoying a dish of the luscious berries, picked from the vine right at home. It was a treat, indeed. They were of the second growth.—Hampshire Review.

While riding with Congressman Dayton in a carriage last week we met a very prominent Democrat driving four calves. Mr. Dayton stopped the carriage and asked the gentleman what he paid for his calves. He first evaded the question then finally refused to answer for political purposes and followed this with the question, "What about cotton?" We had information afterward that he paid \$21.50 a head for the calves. Of course he was more interested in the price of cotton than in calves because of the amount which he produces and which is produced in this country. The fact is that because of the party prejudice of the southern representatives accounts for his being long. Many of our intelligent people in this country vote against their own interest and that of their neighbors and their country for this same reason.—Phillipi Republican.

Spain's Defiant Attitude. Chicago Inter-Ocean: Explanation of the defiant attitude of Spain is found in the belief of Sagasta and the other Spanish leaders that the Democrats will succeed in the congressional elections this fall. They believe that the Democratic party stands ready to rebuke the administration for its conduct of the war, and they hope that a victory of the Democrats will strengthen the Spanish cause. Certainly, if the Americans are divided and if Europe has a demonstration of this fact in the triumph of the Democrats in the congressional elections of Nov. 8, Spain will be encouraged to make demands which it knows now could not be entertained, but which would prolong indefinitely the period before a final treaty of peace.

The importance of the congressional elections cannot be overestimated. Those who believe in the McKinley doctrine, all those who believe that the President should be sustained in his war policy, all those whose aspirations look toward a higher civilization in the Philippines under American control, all those who believe in the expansion policy inaugurated by Jefferson, carried out by Monroe, approved by Grant and Harrison, and given full force by McKinley, should vote for the Republican candidates for Congress. There are times when local issues and personal

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